

REMARKS

Formal Matters

Claims 1, 2, 4 and 5 are pending after entry of the amendments set forth herein.

Claims 1, 2, 4, 5 and 7 were examined and rejected.

Claim 1 is amended to incorporate the subject matter of claim 7 and claim 4 is amended for clarity. The amendments were made solely in the interest of expediting prosecution, and are not to be construed as an acquiescence to any objection or rejection. No new matter is added.

Claims 7 is cancelled. Applicants expressly reserve the right to pursue any canceled subject matter in one or more continuation and/or divisional applications.

Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the application in view of the remarks made herein.

Allowable subject matter

The Applicants gratefully acknowledge the Examiner's indication that claim 7 recites allowable subject matter.

Without wishing to acquiesce to the correctness of any of the rejections set forth in the Office Action and solely to expedite prosecution, claim 1 has been amended to incorporate the subject matter of claim 7.

In view of the above, all pending claims are believed to allowable. A Notice of Allowance is respectfully requested.

Claim objection

Claim 1 is objected to for not defining what is meant by the term "TTK".

Claim 1 is amended to state that TTK is "tyrosine threonine kinase".

The Applicants submit that this object has been addressed and may be withdrawn.

Claim rejection under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph

Claim 4 is rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph, for depending on a cancelled claim.

The dependency of claim 4 has been changed by amendment. Claim 4, as amended, is dependent on claim 1.

The Applicants respectfully submit that this rejection has been adequately addressed. Withdrawal of this rejection is respectfully requested.

Rejection under 35 U.S.C. §112, first paragraph (written description)

Claims 1, 2, 4 and 5 are rejected for failing to meet the written description requirement of 35 U.S.C. §112, first paragraph.

Without any intention to acquiesce to the correctness of this rejection and solely to expedite prosecution, claim 1 is amended to recite the subject matter of claim 7.

Since claim 7 is not included in this rejection and all claims now recite the subject matter of claim 7, this rejection may be withdrawn. Withdrawal of this rejection is respectfully requested.

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The Applicants respectfully requests that a timely Notice of Allowance be issued in this case.

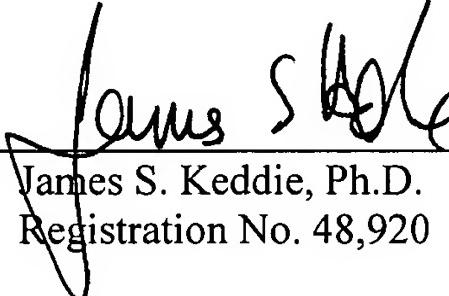
The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any underpayment of fees associated with this communication, including any necessary fees for extensions of time, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-0815, order number 2300-16932.

Respectfully submitted,

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